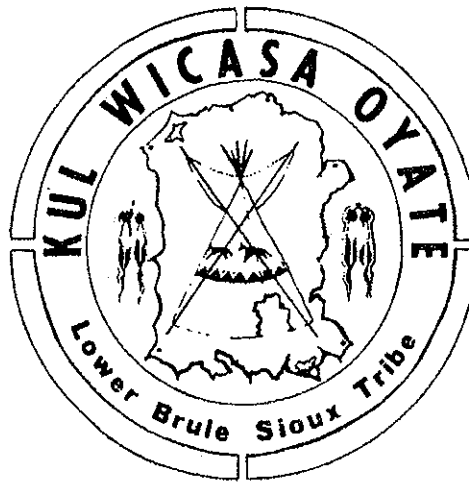


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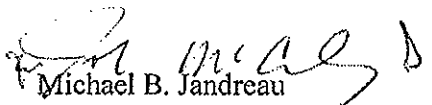
Dear Stephanie:

This letter is to support the request for funding for a transportation High Priority Project to reconstruct Medicine Bull Memorial Highway.

By reconstructing this route, several benefits are realized. The 1.6 miles from West Brule to the tribal administration building is narrow with no shoulders. The pedestrian traffic shares a 26' wide asphalt roadway with over 1500 vehicles per day. The speed limit is 35 miles per hour resulting in substantially increased user costs. The new judicial center on the east end of the project is opening with 80 new jobs. This will increase both the vehicular and pedestrian traffic compounding the threat of injury or death. Turning lanes would be constructed at the administration building and through West Brule.

Please consider funding this important Project.

Sincerely,


Michael B. Jandreau
Tribal Chairman